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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING APPROVAL FOR ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES COMBINED TRAINING WITH JORDANIAN SPECIAL FORCES DURING JCET NEEDLE DANCER 03 CJ02003JCET03W

REFS: (A) CDR 5TH SFG A// MSG DTG 281925Z AUG02, REQUEST FOR CONCEPT APPROVAL FOR JOINT AND COMBINED EXCHANGE FOR TRAINING (JCET) (U)

(B) COMSACCENT MACDILL AFB FL// MSG DTG 131957Z SEP 02, REQUEST FOR CONCEPT APPROVAL FOR JOINT AND COMBINED EXCHANGE FOR TRAINING (JCET)CJ02003JCET03W (U)

(C) STATE 85337 MAY 99

(D) JOINT STAFF DTG 010040Z DEC 99

11. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IS PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF B, VERIFYING THE HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING PROCESS: EMBASSY VERIFIES THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POSSESSES NO CREDIBLE INFORMATION OF GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY THE JORDANIAN TEAM 2, 1ST COMPANY 101ST SPECIAL FORCES BATTALION OR A MEMBER OF THAT UNIT, AS OF THIS DATE.

12. THE FOLLOWING HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED AS REQUESTED IN REF B:

(A) SPECIFIC UNIT TO BE TRAINED: TEAM 2, 1ST COMPANY, 101ST SPECIAL FORCES BATTALION, ROYAL SPECIAL FORCES BRIGADE, SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND, JORDAN ARMED FORCES.

(B) ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING FROM THE UNIT: 12

(C) CERTIFYING EMBASSY OFFICIAL: SAM KOTIS, POLITICAL-MILITARY OFFICER

(D) CURRENT THREAT ASSESSMENT: SIGNIFICANT

13. THIS MESSAGE GRANTS COUNTRY TEAM APPROVAL FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING REQUIREMENT FOR ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES COMBINED TRAINING WITH JORDANIAN SPECIAL FORCES IN CONJUNCTION WITH JCET NEEDLE DANCER 03.

14. POINTS OF CONTACT ARE SAMUEL KOTIS, POLITICAL-MILITARY OFFICER AT COML 011-962-6-592-0101, EXT 2596, AND MSG MARK MCPHERSON, MAP JORDAN AT COML 011-962-6-592-0101, EXT 2645.

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